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State histories, while many of its materials, especially those of the first volume, are of the highest interest to every American, and are easily accessible in no other form.

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31. — *Lippincott's Pronouncing Gazetteer. A Complete Pronouncing Gazetteer, or Geographical Dictionary, of the World. Containing a Notice and the Pronunciation of the Names of nearly One Hundred Thousand Places. With the most recent and authentic Information respecting the Countries, Islands, Rivers, Mountains, Cities, Towns, &c. in every Portion of the Globe. Including the latest and most reliable Statistics of Population, Commerce, etc. Also, a Complete Etymological Vocabulary of Geographical Names, and many other valuable Features, to be found in no other Gazetteer in the English Language.* Edited by J. THOMAS, M. D., and T. BALDWIN, assisted by several other Gentlemen. Philadelphia: J. B. Lippincott & Co. 1861. 8vo. pp. 2182.

WHEN this Gazetteer first appeared, we spoke of it in terms of high commendation. It is not yet superseded, nor is it in danger of losing its foremost place, if it is kept even with the changing and expanding geography of the times. The publication of the census of 1860 will furnish a suitable occasion for a thorough revision of the work, and we doubt not that the publishers and editors will avail themselves of it.

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32. — 1. *A Description of Ancient and Modern Coins, in the Cabinet Collection at the Mint of the United States.* Prepared and arranged under the Direction of JAMES ROSS SNOWDEN, Director of the Mint. Philadelphia: J. B. Lippincott & Co. 1860. 8vo. pp. 412. Plates 26.
2. *A Description of the Medals of Washington; of National and Miscellaneous Medals; and of other Objects of Interest in the Museum of the Mint. Illustrated by seventy-nine Fac-simile Engravings. To which are added Biographical Notices of the Directors of the Mint from 1792 to the Year 1851.* By JAMES ROSS SNOWDEN, the Director of the Mint. Philadelphia: J. B. Lippincott & Co. 4to. pp. 203.

To those who have visited the Mint at Philadelphia it is needless for us to speak of its collections. To others, we may say that they comprise several hundreds of ancient and mediæval coins; specimens of the coinage of the United States, both before and since they assumed

that appellation ; coins of all the nations with which we have any commercial intercourse ; the Washington and national medals ; a great number and variety of medals from other countries ; four cabinets of minerals, one simply mineralogical, another arranged in the supposed order of geological formation, a third consisting of metallic ores and the products of their metallurgical treatment, a fourth containing rare and curious specimens ; more than a hundred articles of ancient pottery ; and various other objects of interest. In the volumes before us these collections are minutely and literally described, with perfect fac-simile impressions of a large number of coins and medals. The mechanical execution is such as to make them highly ornamental books, as well as valuable works for reference and consultation. Even the biographical appendix is not without strong claims on our interest, when we remember that David Rittenhouse and Elias Boudinot were Directors of the Mint.

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- 33.—1. *The First Book of the Constitution : a Familiar Exposition of the Constitution of the United States. Designed for the Use of Schools.* By FURMAN SHEPPARD. Philadelphia : J. B. Lippincott & Co. 1861. 12mo. pp. 202.
2. *The Political Manual : being a Complete View of the Theory and Practice of the General and State Governments of the United States Adapted to the Use of Colleges, Academies, and Schools.* By EDWARD D. MANSFIELD, Professor of Constitutional Law. New York : A. S. Barnes and Burr. 1861. 12mo. pp. 347.

SEVERAL years ago we noticed with high praise Mr. Sheppard's "Constitutional Text-Book." The book now before us is the former work abridged and simplified to meet the demands of less advanced classes of pupils. It is admirably adapted for its design, and, we trust, will render essential aid in introducing the study of the Constitution under which we live into our grammar and high schools. It is characterized by comprehensiveness, conciseness, and precision. It embraces not only the provisions of the Constitution, but the *modus operandi* of the government as at present established, the duties of its principal functionaries, and the regular course of public affairs.

Mr. Mansfield's book is designed for a higher grade of pupils, and makes frequent references to cases involving constitutional law that have been decided in the courts. It is peculiarly explicit and full as to the mutual relations of the State governments and the general government. It bears throughout the marks of an author who has his subject wholly within his grasp. For those to whose use it is adapted, we give it our unqualified recommendation.